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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

The present Amendment accompanies the request for continued examination (RCE) filed today, 24 November 2003, in lieu of an appeal brief in the above-captioned application. Two additional documents accompany the present Amendment, namely: a petition for a two-month extension of time in which to respond and a (draft) Terminal Disclaimer providing disclaimer of patent rights beyond the expiration of U.S. Pat. No. 5,439,760. In addition, certain remarks are respectfully submitted for the present application.

Please amend the above-captioned application as follows: